set up a Trade Fair Complex at Mysore in Karnataka;

(c) if so, when; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d): The Trade Fair Authority of India has set up a Trade Fair Complex only at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi so far. In order to take a final view to set up a permanent exhibition complex at Banglore, a proposal has been under discussion between the Govt. of Karnataka and the India Trade Promotion Organisation.

Consumption and Export of Fruits and Vegetables

5861. SHRI H.D.DEVEGOWDA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have assessed the quantity of fruits and vegetables required for domestic consumption;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the countries where fruits and vegetables are exported; and

(d) the places in the country where cargo facilities have been provided for export of these goods?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) No, Sir. No such study has been conducted by Government.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Fruits and vegetables are exported mainly to US, UAE, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Singapore, Malaysia, UK etc.

(d) Cargo facilities have been provided at major airports such as Delhi, Bombay, Trivandrum, Calcutta, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Madras etc.

Tea Cultivation in Tamil Nadu

5862. SHRI S.B. SIDNAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tea Board has approved the proposal of the Tamil-Nadu Tea Development Corporation Ltd. for raising tea cultivation in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Tea Board has approved the proposal of the Tamil Nadu Tea Development Corporation Ltd., Government of Tamil Nadu for bringing an additional area of 3000 hectares under tea cultivation to be planted over a period upto 1996-97. Out of this, 2370.5 hectares would be planted in Annamalai's in Coimbatore district and the balance 629.5 hectares in Nilgiris District. The Board has agreed to extend financial assistance covering 1500 hectares in Annamalai's by treating this area as non traditional areas as a special case. The Board would be disbursing a total assistance of Rs. 9.75 crores, comprising Rs. 6 crores as Loan and Rs. 3.75 crores as subsidy.

Export of Sugar

5863. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL:
SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state: